

Cornell Professor to be Featured at SWOSU Writers' Festival

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Cornell University professor, critic and poet Daniel R. Schwarz will be the featured speaker at the annual Westview Writers' Festival coming up Tuesday, March 27, on the campus of Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

The festival will be held at 7 p.m. in the SWOSU Conference Center, located at the corner of Seventh and Davis Streets. Admission is free, and the public is invited to hear him read his poetry and talk about his academic career.

In addition to delivering his public reading, Professor Schwarz will teach a class on modernist author James Joyce in SWOSU's Language and Literature Department the morning of Monday, March 26. At 3:30 that day, he will participate in a panel discussion of Joyce's story "Araby" with Dr. Kevin Collins and Dr. James Silver, faculty members in the department.

At Cornell, Professor Schwarz has been honored for both his scholarship and his teaching. He is currently Stephen H. Weiss Presidential Fellow and has recently been named the Frederic J. Whiton Professor of English.

He has received Cornell's College of Arts and Sciences Russell Award for Distinguished Teaching. As a scholar, he has lectured in many settings all over the world including Italy, Hawaii, Canada, the Czech Republic, Spain, Cyprus, and many colleges and universities in the United States. His work has focused primarily on the British novel, with emphasis on the late 19th and 20th centuries; literary theory; and 20th century literature in general. He has published books on the writing of James Joyce, Joseph Conrad, Benjamin Disraeli, and American poet Wallace Stevens, among many other authors.

In addition to other literary topics that he has studied, Professor Schwarz has written about the Holocaust, Damon Runyon and the culture of New York City, and modern art. Recently, he has published essays on his travels throughout the world.

For more information about the Westview Festival, call the SWOSU Department of Language & Literature at 580.774.3240.